

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought, on the invention entitled "INBRED CUCUMBER LINE 8D-5079", the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, ' 1.56(a).

No claim for foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, ' 119 is made and no corresponding foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the present application have been filed.

I hereby appoint the registered practitioner(s) associated with Customer Number **6449** to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent & Trademark Office connected therewith. Direct all correspondence to Customer Number **6449**.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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